

CASD MEMBERS SECTION

CASD Salutes David S. Casey, Jr. For ABA and Consumer Watchdog Awards

David S. Casey, Jr., CASD's past president and the son of CASD's founder and first president, David S. Casey, Sr., received the American Bar Association's "Pursuit of Justice" award on October 8. The award recognizes lawyers and judges who have shown outstanding merit and who excel in providing access to justice for all. Casey's dad was the first recipient of the Pursuit of Justice award.

The ABA's Tort Trial & Insurance Practice (TIPS) Section honored Casey at its fall leadership meeting with the Pursuit of Justice award. According to TIPS chair John Tarpley, "Casey has unsurpassed credentials and is the epitome of what this award represents. His dedication to the 9/11 Victims Compensation Fund and the Exxon Valdez oil spill litigation are prime examples of his commitment to providing access to justice for all."

Casey was also recently recognized at Consumer Watchdog's annual Rage for Justice Awards gala with its Lifetime Legal Achievement award. In addition to his recent kudos, Casey has received a multitude of honors and awards, including recognition as Lawyer of the Year by the San Diego County Bar Association, as Outstanding Trial Lawyer from the San Diego Trial Lawyer Association (now CASD), the Peacemaker Award from the San Diego Mediation Center, the Harry M. Philo Award from the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, the Daniel T. Broderick Memorial Award, which recognizes high standards of civility, integrity and professionalism in the San Diego legal community and the Author E. Hughes Career Achievement Award in 2003 from University of San Diego School of Law.

Over the years, Casey has been recognized for numerous high profile issues and cases, including his work in organizing the 9/11 Victims Compensation Fund and his pro bono involvement in assisting victims of 9/11, his representation of former California Governor Gray Davis in successful tobacco litigation, helping to achieve a recovery of \$25 billion for the state, and 21 years' involvement in litigation resulting from the Exxon Valdez oil spill. He also played a lead role in representing American prisoners of war in litigation against Japanese companies charged with abusing World War II slave laborers.

For the past 10 years he has served on the San Diego County Federal Judicial Selection Committee under Senator Dianne Feinstein and was recently appointed by the senator to chair the statewide effort for judicial selection of Federal Court Judges, U.S. Attorneys and U.S. Marshals.



About ABA/TIPS Section

With more than 400,000 members, the American Bar Association is the largest voluntary professional membership organization in the world. As the national voice of the legal profession, the ABA works to improve the administration of justice, promotes programs that assist lawyers and judges in their work, accredits law schools, provides continuing legal education, and works to build public understanding around the world of the importance of the rule of law. The ABA Tort Trial & Insurance Practice (TIPS) Section unites plaintiff, defense, insurance and corporate counsel to advance the civil justice system. TIPS is a national source of expertise in tort, trial and insurance practice and brings lawyers together to share information and speak out on issues of importance. For more information about the Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section visit the TIPS Web site, www.abanet.org/tips.

About Casey Gerry

Celebrating more than 60 years in San Diego, Casey Gerry was established in 1947, and is the oldest plaintiffs' law firm in San Diego. The firm's 12 attorneys practice in numerous areas, including asbestos, personal injury, product liability and pharmaceutical litigation. Located in the Banker's Hill neighborhood of San Diego, the firm also has a satellite office in Carlsbad, Calif. For more information, call (619) 238-1811 or visit www.caseygerry.com.